



Lisbon to Amsterdam Luxury Explorer

BELGIUM ● FRANCE ● NETHERLANDS ● PORTUGAL

The Offer

Embark on a 15-day European odyssey, including a 10-night Swan Hellenic cruise. Sailing from Lisbon to Amsterdam, you'll discover the vibrant cities and breathtaking coastlines of Portugal, Spain, France and Belgium.

Your magnificent journey begins with a two-night stay in Lisbon, a city of sun-drenched hills and wonders. You'll have time to perhaps explore its elegant streets, see Belem Tower and Comercio Square, ride the famous yellow trams and indulge in the national treat, pastel de nata (known in Australia as Portuguese custard tarts). Board your luxurious floating boutique hotel, the SH Diana and set sail for the stunning coast of Spain.

Aboard the SH Diana, you'll find a sophisticated and spacious environment designed for immersive exploration. Relax in the panoramic sauna, take a dip in the heated outdoor infinity pool, or work out in the state-of-the-art gym. The ship's main dining room, the Swan Restaurant, serves exquisite international cuisine and you'll find more casual fare at the Club Lounge.

You'll discover Portugal's longest beach at Figueira da Foz, uncover rich seafaring history in Ferrol, enjoy the green hills of Gijon and stroll through the medieval alleyways of Santander.

Sail to France's wine capital, Bordeaux, a city blending rich history with world-class gastronomy and elegant shopping. Next, you'll explore the maritime past of Cherbourg, home to the Art Deco transatlantic terminal, before soaking in the Belle Epoque charm and sandy beaches of Oostende in Belgium.

The grand finale is a two-night stay in the gorgeous Dutch city of Amsterdam. Glide along its picturesque canals, cross its hundreds of bridges and explore a treasure trove of art centres including the famous Rijksmuseum and Van Gogh Museum.

This incredible journey includes return international full-service flights, a 10 night cruise aboard Swan Hellenic's SH Diana, 29 meals, all while cruising, 4 nights of 5-star accommodation, 24 hour room service and more!

Want more? Arrive Early in Lisbon, Portugal or Stay Behind in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, options available.

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The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia (or New Zealand) - Lisbon, Portugal

Today make your own way to the airport for your flight to Lisbon, Portugal.

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Lisbon, Portugal

Upon arrival a transfer is arranged to your hotel. Once checked in, the remainder of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: Altis Avenida Hotel, Lisbon or similar

Meals included: None

Day 3 Lisbon, Portugal

Free day.

Spread over seven hills with Sao Jorge Castle views, bustling Lisbon is one of the world's oldest cities. Elegant Baixa, hilltop Alfama with its yellow tram, and scenic Graca overlooking pastel buildings, are top areas. The Jeronimos Monastery in Belem is a World Heritage Gothic site. The classic Portuguese pastel de nata custard tarts are a local treat. Europe's longest suspension bridge, the Ponte 25 de Abril, crosses the river Tagus.

Overnight: Altis Avenida Hotel, Lisbon or similar

Meals included: None

Day 4 Lisbon, Portugal - embark SH Diana

After check out this morning a transfer is arranged to the cruise terminal to board SH Diana. Once on board, the remainder of your day is at leisure

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Dinner

Day 5 Figueira Da Foz, Portugal

Arrive: 08:00 - Depart: 1600

The oldest resort on Portugal's Atlantic coast, Figueira da Foz, or Figueira, has a sandy, two-mile-long beach, the longest in Portugal. Once a centre for shipbuilding and deep sea fishing, the town became a popular tourist hotspot in the 1920s. Visitors come for walks along the promenade, stop at the beachfront cafes or wander north for seafood restaurants in Buarcos, a fortified town that's known for its fisherman's huts and for surfing.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 6 Ferrol, Spain

Arrive: 12:00 - Depart: 1900

With a rich seafaring history and scenic beaches, Ferrol, in A Coruna, Galicia, on the Atlantic coast, champions the Ferrol Naval Museum and the 16th-century San Felipe Castle. Nearby, La Coruna, dubbed the Crystal City for its glass-fronted buildings, showcases the 1st-century Hercules Tower, a UNESCO landmark. Santiago de Compostela, a famed pilgrimage centre, houses the cathedral believed to hold the remains of St. James the Great.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

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Day 7 Gijon, Spain

Arrive: 0800 - Depart: 1900

The Asturian port city Gijon with colourful old houses is surrounded by green hills and is home to the Atlantic Botanical Gardens with over 2,000 plants. The monumental sculpture "Eulogy to the Horizon" by Basque sculptor Eduardo Chillida overlooks the sea. In the fisherman's old quarter, Cimadevilla, the Campo Valdes Roman Baths date from around 100 AD. Local ciders are a speciality, best enjoyed in a traditional sidreria.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 8 Santander, Spain

Arrive: 0800- Depart: 1800

Santander, known for its beaches, unveils tales of a bygone era through medieval alleyways and ancient architecture. The Paseo de Pereda is a lush haven of gardens and sculptures. The city's history, dating back to Roman times, is marked by landmarks like the 13th-century Gothic cathedral, Catedral de la Asunción, and the Palacio de la Magdalena, a former royal summer residence. Santander is also renowned for traditional Basque cuisine.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 9 Bordeaux, France

Arrive: 08:00 -Overnight

Bordeaux, a key port city in southwestern France, is the heart of the French wine industry. The Cite du Vin, an interactive wine museum, and the UNESCO-listed 18th-century old city highlight its cultural and architectural significance. Surrounded by famed wine regions like Medoc, Graves, Sauternes, Pomerol and Saint-Emilion, Bordeaux blends rich history with world-class gastronomy and markets like Capucins and Chartrons.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 10 Bordeaux, France

Bordeaux offers a perfect mix of cultural landmarks and stylish shopping. Iconic sites like Place de la Bourse with its stunning water mirror, the Grand Theatre, and the modern Cite du Vin showcase the city's rich heritage. For shopping, Rue Sainte-Catherine one of Europe's longest pedestrian streets, is packed with popular stores, while the elegant Grands Hommes arcade and the artsy Chartrons district offer more refined and eclectic finds.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner



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Day 11 Cruising

Sea days are rarely dull. Take the time to sit back and let the world go by. The ship's observation decks provide stunning views of the passing ocean. A day at sea gives you the opportunity to mingle with other passengers and share your experiences of this incredible trip or head to our library which is stocked full of reference books. Get an expert's view in one of our on-board lectures or perhaps perfect your photography skills with invaluable advice from our onboard professional photographers.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 12 Cherbourg, France

Arrive: 0800- **Depart:** 1800

Cherbourg, on Normandy's Cotentin peninsula, packs maritime history at the Art Deco transatlantic terminal's Cite de la Mer—home to Titanic exhibits and the colossal submarine, Le Redoutable. Fort du Roule Musee de la Liberation retraces WWII in Normandy. Nearby, the city of Rouen is celebrated for impressionist art and Rouen Cathedral, while Bayeux hosts the famous near 70m-long Bayeux Tapestry depicting the Norman conquest and Battle of Hastings

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 13 Oostende, Belgium

Arrive: 1200- **Depart:** 1900

Once a retreat for European nobility, Oostende's charm lies in its sandy beaches, boardwalk, racetrack, 19th-century Belle Epoque architecture, beachfront cafes and a harbour with seafood stalls. The Atlantikwall, a network of WWI and WWII bunkers, is now an open-air museum. Other museums include the Ensor Museum with James Ensor's maritime artworks, the Mercator aboard a 1930s three-masted ship, and Mu.ZEE, displaying Belgian art from the 1830s.

Overnight: Swan Hellenic SH Diana

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

Day 14 Disembark - Amsterdam, Netherlands

After breakfast this morning it's time to disembark SH Diana and a transfer is arranged to your hotel for your two night city stay. Once checked in the remainder of your day is at leisure.

Overnight: Pestana Amsterdam Riverside, Amsterdam or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Amsterdam, Netherlands

Free day.

Amsterdam is a gorgeous Dutch city where a boat cruise along the canals gets to the heart of things. Yet, the magic also unfolds while strolling through narrow streets and crossing the hundreds of bridges. It houses a treasure trove of fabulous art museums, including the Rijksmuseum, adorned with Dutch Masters,





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conveniently located near the Van Gogh Museum. To the south, picturesque stretches of countryside with windmills line the canals.

Overnight: Pestana Amsterdam Riverside, Amsterdam or similar
Meals included: None

Day 16 Amsterdam, Netherlands - Australia

After check out this morning a transfer is arranged to the airport for your homeward bound flight.

Meals included: None

Day 17 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Welcome home!

Meals included: None



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Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the capital of Portugal, Lisbon and experience one of the world's oldest cities with a two night city stopover
- Delve into the rich seafaring history of Ferrol and its 16th century San Felipe castle
- Soak in the charm of Figueira da Foz, famed for its vast beaches
- Sail into the picturesque port city of Santander and see its elegant architecture, stunning bay and beautiful sandy beaches
- Enjoy the heart of the french wine industry in Bordeaux with an extended overnight stay
- Visit Gijon and its colourful houses and home to the Atlantic botanical gardens
- Experience Cherbourg on Normandy's Cotentin peninsula and all its maritime history
- Explore Oostende's noble retreats before reaching Amsterdam, where windmills grace the canal-lined countryside
- Relax with an extended stay in Amsterdam and its fabulous museums, narrow streets and canals

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), surcharges may apply

CRUISE

- 10 night cruise from Lisbon to Amsterdam
- Gratuities included for the ship's crew
- Coffee, tea, soft drinks and selected alcoholic beverages are included 24 hours a day
- One pre-selected shore excursion is included per port of call
- Free backpack and water bottle
- Standard WIFI included
- 24/7 self service laundry

ACCOMMODATION

- 2 nights 5-star accommodation in Lisbon
- 2 nights 5-star accommodation in Amsterdam

DINING

- Enjoy 29 meals, all whilst cruising
- Enjoy round-the-clock access to coffee, tea, soft drinks and a curated selection of alcoholic beverages while cruising
- 24 hour room service

ESSENTIALS

- Port charges and taxes
- Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSFERS

- Day 2: Airport to hotel
- Day 4: hotel to port
- Day 14: port to hotel
- Day 16: hotel to airport

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Tour Inclusions

Free upgrade to Balcony

Free upgrade from Oceanview to Balcony offer subject to availability

Important Information

**Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

Booking Information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation and Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent;** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique;** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.

- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible;** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.

- **Travel Offers are a package;** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.

- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable;** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please [click here](#).

General Terms and Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This Travel Offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 12th May 2026. This Travel Offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single

supplement applies.

Oceanview Stateroom: \$9000

Free upgrade to balcony stateroom: \$9000

Balcony Stateroom: \$11,000

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Child Policy

- No child discounts are offered. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 8 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Flights

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane*, Adelaide*, Perth, Auckland*

Departure City Surcharges

Brisbane: \$200 per person

Adelaide: \$200 per person

Auckland: \$500 per person

International Flight(s)

Full-service airline(s) used Only for deals where we can guarantee full service airlines, and no low cost carriers are considered

- Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

- Cabin Class: Economy Class
- Emirates: \$500 per person
- Qatar Airways: \$200 per person

Please note:

- *Preferred airlines are subject to availability. If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.*

Important Information

- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*
- *In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.*
- *Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.*

Arrive Early and Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Lisbon, Portugal - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

Amsterdam, Netherlands - From \$300 per person, subject to availability.

Please note:

Exclusions: This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

Cancellations & Changes: Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

High-Season: A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

+ 60 days: You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

Estimated dates: Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to

availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:

- 15th September 2025 - 12th October 2025
- 1st December 2025 - 19th December 2025
- 20th December 2025 - 4th January 2026
- 5th January 2026 - 31st January 2026
- 3rd April 2026 - 20th April 2026
- 26th June 2026 - 17th July 2026
- 18th September 2026 - 9th October 2026
- 12th December 2026 - 18th December 2026
- 19th December 2026 - 3rd January 2027
- 4th January 2027 - 26th January 2027
- 19th March 2027 - 28th April 2027
- 19th June 2027 - 18th July 2027
- 11th September 2027 - 10th October 2027
- 10th December 2027 - 19th December 2027
- 20th December 2027 - 3rd January 2028

Stopover Packages

* Doha, Qatar

* Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Includes:

- 2, 3 or 5 nights in 4-star accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used.
- When selecting to Arrive Early for your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your fly out date from home will take place before the stopover.
- When selecting to Stay Behind after your tour in conjunction with a Stopover Package, your stopover will take place before your final flight home.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.

- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Blackout dates apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:
Doha Grand Prix: 26 November - 02 December 2026
Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (for Dubai): 03 December - 09 December 2025
Christmas and New Years Eve - 18 December 2026 to 3 January 2027

Flight Class Upgrades

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed.*

Outbound Flights

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be available to depart the day before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents, issued 4-6 weeks before departure.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Cruise

Swan Hellenic's SH Diana Ship

Introducing the SH Diana, first sailing with

Important Information

Swan Hellenic in early 2023. This 5-star boutique ships, designed with Scandinavian elegance, offer an intimate immersion in the voyage's splendour. Allow yourself a moment to get acquainted with these extraordinary expedition vessels.

Boasting a PC6 ice-strengthened hull and expansive stabilisers, your journey will be exceptionally smooth. With just 127 crew members and 192 guests spread across 9 decks, an intimate experience awaits. The generous public spaces ensure uninterrupted panoramic views, keeping the destination ever-present. Deck 8 offers unparalleled vistas. Following a workout in the state-of-the-art gym, luxuriate in the sauna or jacuzzi while relishing the breathtaking scenery. In the Swan Restaurant, savour breakfast, lunch, and dinner featuring international and locally-inspired cuisine, spotlighting the finest regional ingredients from your unique destinations. Deck 7 reveals a heated outdoor pool and inviting poolside seating for scenic indulgence. Unwind in the Observation Lounge with your preferred libation, forging connections with fellow guests. The Club Lounge, combining 24-hour tapas-style dining with sweeping ocean vistas, is a sanctuary of indulgence. Anticipate a voyage that marries luxury with adventure.

Onboard currency:

USD\$

Cabins/Staterooms:

Oceanview Staterooms: 20m²

Light, bright and crafted from natural materials, Oceanview staterooms feature 2 single beds, a bedroom and living room and a luxurious ensuite bathroom. All feature panoramic sea views, original works of art, plush couches, premium pocket-sprung mattresses, ensuite bathrooms with glass-enclosed rain showers, and Egyptian cotton towels, bathrobes, and sheets. A pillow menu offers customised head and neck comfort during rest. At the same time, a large flat-screen TV, an espresso machine with Illy premium coffee, tea-making facilities with

the finest Kusmi teas, and a minibar with refreshments enhance relaxation at any time. In-room dining is, of course, available at all hours.

Balcony Staterooms: 25m²

Staterooms feature 2 single beds, a bedroom, a living room, a luxurious bathroom and your own 5m² balcony. All feature panoramic sea views, original works of art, plush couches, premium pocket-sprung mattresses, ensuite bathrooms with glass-enclosed rain showers, and Egyptian cotton towels, bathrobes, and sheets. A pillow menu offers customised head and neck comfort during rest. At the same time, a large flat-screen TV, an espresso machine with Illy premium coffee, tea-making facilities with the finest Kusmi teas, and a minibar with refreshments enhance relaxation at any time. In-room dining is, of course, available at all hours.

All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.

Cruise Arrival and Departure Times:

Please keep in mind that the provided cruise arrival and departure times are an approximate and will be finalised upon receipt of your cruise tickets.

Accommodation

Accommodation Used:

5-star Properties (Self-Rated)

Lisbon, Portugal: Altis Avenida Hotel
Amsterdam, Netherlands: Pestana
Amsterdam Riverside

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or

post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

Twin or double (subject to availability).

Optional Tours/activities

Please note:

- *Some tours or shore excursions require minimum numbers to operate.*
- *Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line before travel (subject to availability)*
- *Shore excursions can also be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability).*
- *Shore excursion programmes and itineraries may vary depending on local conditions and/or any unforeseen events concerning the timing on the day of the tour. Some excursions are very popular, and therefore availability cannot always be guaranteed, it is advisable to book in advance to avoid disappointment.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Mandatory city tax

Gratuities / Tipping

Important Information

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Cruise

Gratuities (tips) are included for the cruise staff's services throughout this tour's cruise component.

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available

when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Spain

In May, the Spanish cities of Motril, Puerto Banús, Seville, Ferrol, Gijón, and Santander enjoy pleasantly warm spring weather, ideal for travel and sightseeing.

Motril and Puerto Banús, both on the southern coast, typically experience daytime temperatures between 22°C and 26°C, with mostly sunny skies and mild evenings around 14°C to 17°C. These areas begin to feel summery by late May, with very little rainfall.

Seville, located inland in southern Spain, is warmer, with daytime highs often reaching 28°C to 30°C, and lows around 14°C to 16°C. May marks the start of the city's hot season, though it's still manageable for outdoor activities.

On the northern coast, Ferrol, Gijón, and Santander are cooler and more temperate. Expect highs of 18°C to 22°C and lows around 11°C to 13°C. These cities see more cloud cover and occasional rain, but also enjoy crisp, fresh spring air and emerging greenery.

Overall, May is a fantastic time to visit all of these destinations, offering a balance of warmth, manageable crowds, and comfortable weather.

Portugal

In May, Lagos, Lisbon, and Figueira da Foz in Portugal enjoy mild to warm spring weather, making it a beautiful time to visit. Lagos, in the Algarve region, typically sees daytime temperatures between 22°C and 25°C, with plenty of sunshine and mild evenings around 14°C to 16°C. Rainfall is minimal, and the sea begins to warm, though still a bit cool for swimming.

Lisbon, Portugal's capital, experiences similar conditions, with average highs around 23°C to 26°C and lows near 14°C. The city enjoys long, sunny days with low humidity and only occasional light showers.

Figueira da Foz, located on the central Atlantic coast, is slightly cooler due to its

ocean exposure, with temperatures ranging from 19°C to 23°C during the day and dropping to 12°C to 14°C at night. You can expect a mix of sunshine and a few cloudier days, but overall, the weather is pleasant and springlike.

May offers ideal conditions for exploring Portugal's coastlines, cities, and cultural landmarks before the peak summer crowds arrive.

France

In May, Bordeaux and Cherbourg in France enjoy mild to pleasantly warm spring weather, perfect for sightseeing and outdoor activities.

Bordeaux, in southwestern France, typically sees daytime temperatures ranging from 20°C to 24°C, with overnight lows around 11°C to 13°C. The city experiences plenty of sunshine in May, and while occasional light rain is possible, the overall climate is warm, dry, and ideal for exploring vineyards and historical sites. Cherbourg, located on the Normandy coast in northern France, is cooler and more maritime in climate. Daytime temperatures usually range from 15°C to 18°C, with nights around 9°C to 11°C. May brings a mix of sunny spells and light rain, with breezy conditions near the coast. Overall, May is a lovely time to visit both cities—Bordeaux offers warm and dry days, while Cherbourg is fresh and crisp with classic northern French charm.

Belgium

In May, Oostende (or Ostend) on Belgium's North Sea coast experiences mild spring weather. Daytime temperatures typically range from 14°C to 18°C, while nights can be cool, averaging around 8°C to 11°C. May brings longer daylight hours and increasing sunshine, though the region still sees occasional rain and coastal breezes. The sea remains quite cold, but the overall atmosphere is fresh and lively, with blooming parks and outdoor cafés starting to fill. It's a pleasant time to enjoy the seaside promenade before the peak summer crowds arrive.

Amsterdam

Important Information

In May, Amsterdam enjoys mild and increasingly sunny spring weather. Daytime temperatures typically range from 15°C to 20°C, while nighttime lows average around 8°C to 11°C. Rain is still possible, with light showers occurring intermittently, but there are also plenty of bright, clear days—perfect for canal cruises and exploring the city by bike. Parks and gardens, including the famous tulip displays (especially early in the month), are in full bloom, and the overall atmosphere is lively as outdoor terraces begin to fill. May is a fantastic time to visit before summer crowds peak.

Weather

We always suggest referring to an online source for the most up-to-date weather information for your destination/s.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Dietary Requests

Meal options and availability differ between airlines and routes therefore not all dietary requests can be accommodated. If your flight includes meals we will select the most suitable option available based on the dietary requirements you have specified. All meal requests are subject to airline approval and are not guaranteed, therefore we recommend preparing for your flight by bringing appropriate food for yourself, as required.

Passport Validity:

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the

cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

CRUISE

Embarkation / Disembarkation:

- Begins approximately 2 hours after docking.
- Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing.
- Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice.
- Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

Please note: Strict Covid-19 terms may also apply regarding proof of insurance covering Covid-19 and/or vaccination. Please refer to the cruise lines' terms and conditions for further information before boarding.

Cruise Loyalty Discounts:

Please note: Travellers must contact the cruise line directly upon receiving their travel documents in order to request any membership benefits they may be entitled to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility:

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required:

Adventure (and spontaneity) create some of the best travel memories. Bear in mind, your home schedules and timings might not be adhered to on tour - it's all part of the fun!

A relaxed level of fitness will be required. Expect a comfortable pace of touring with

a focus on leisure time and gentle activity. This may include city tours, the ability to walk up and down small flights of stairs and gentle slopes. You will be responsible for your own luggage and have the ability to board all modes of transport without assistance. Please note: Some areas may be inaccessible to wheelchairs or mobility scooters, with personal walking sticks and other aids required should they be needed. Although some assistance may be available, every traveller should be self-reliant during all aspects of their travel.

Please note: It is expected that every traveller must be self-reliant and able to undertake all aspects of their own travel. Please speak to your booking agent about your personal circumstances and any assistance requirements to ensure this tour is right for you.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever:

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival. You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Sightseeing:

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card,

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please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts.
Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

Portugal

Australian passport holders are visa exempt for an accumulative total stay of 90 days per 180 calendar days. The traveller must hold a passport valid at least six months on entry with one blank visa page

Spain

Australian passport holders are visa exempt for an accumulative total stay of 90 days per 180 calendar days. The traveller must hold a passport valid at least six months on entry with one blank visa page

Portugal

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France

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Belgium

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Netherlands

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Eu Entry/Exit System (EES)

From October 12, 2025, a new European Entry System (EES) replaces the current manual passport-stamping process for non-EU travelers. Upon arrival in the Schengen area, Australian and New Zealand passport holders will have their fingerprints recorded and a photograph taken. Their entry and exit dates will be electronically registered. No previous action is required, but please be aware of longer wait times at border entry. From 10 April 2026, the EES will be fully operational at all external border crossing points of all the European countries (Schengen area) using the system.

European Travel Information & Authorisation System (ETIAS)

As an extension of the EES implementation introduced from 2025, ETIAS travel authorisation is a mandatory entry requirement for visa-exempt nationals travelling to any of these 30 European countries [link - <https://travel-europe.europa.eu/etias/about-etias/who-should-apply#european-countries-requiring-etias>], including Australian and New Zealand citizens, that will be introduced in 2026. We advise you to monitor smartraveller.com.au closer to your departure to ensure you are up to date on the requirements at the time of entry.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*

- *Visa rules are subject to change. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination/s you are visiting once you receive your travel documentation to ensure you have the most up to date information.*
- *It is your responsibility to be travel-ready and ensure that you are aware and comply with any destination or travel requirements, including the validity of all required travel documents.*
- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

Schedule Of Fees

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

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- If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a Travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.